

# BUTTE NEWS. COURTENAY, CASE & GRAVELLE COMPANY

## CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Annual Session of the Baptist Young People's Union of Butte.

### AN INTERESTING MEETING

Splendid Addresses by Several of the Members and Encouraging Reports—Rev. Mr. Nottlinger Speaks Entertainingly.

The Baptist Young People's union of Butte, one of the largest organizations of its kind in the Northwest, met in regular annual session at 8 o'clock last night in the First Baptist church. There was a large attendance of both old and young. The meeting was called to order by Prof. L. R. Foote, president of the society, and a splendid programme was rendered, consisting of a song service and a question drill by the juniors. The drill, led by Mrs. Nottlinger, was very interesting, being executed in a manner which reflected great credit on the instructor and class. The report of the secretary showed a general increase in attendance during the year and a steady growth in all lines of work. An excellent address was delivered by President Foote. He drew a contrast between the lives and characters of Alexander the Great and Jesus Christ. He said that man's ideals were the extremes in character; that mediocre subjects do not attract our attention. He showed that Alexander, after achieving his great successes, thought himself a God, though possessing none of the attributes of divinity. On the other hand Christ declared that He was a God from the beginning of his life, maintaining the declaration during life and proving it by his life, death and resurrection. The speaker said that the one was a human being, claiming omnipotence; the other a God, yet subject to the ills of human nature. The one, tyrannical, selfish and of the greatest egotism; the other, self-denying, possessing not the least atom of egotism and working for the benefit of all. There are, declared Mr. Foote, a great many followers of those two extremes in character, of the one because it is human, of the other because divine; of the one because of the earthly glory, of the other because of the heavenly reward. There are individuals here who are Alexander in a smaller way, yet just as accountable, who for their own glory, sacrifice friends, relatives, enemies and all; whose first and last thought is self. There are also others who are striving to deny themselves for the sake of others. What Alexander was a type of in action, men are in character to-day. Character is the only part of that will stand the test of death. Then let us build characters, concluded the speaker, that cannot be assailed; that will remain pure and spotless throughout all the ages of eternity.

President Foote was followed by Rev. J. E. Nottlinger, who delivered an excellent address on the subject, "Training for Service." The speaker declared that the age in which we are privileged to live is an age of training and that every vocation in life is crowded with men and women skilled in their various professions.

"Progress," said he, "has written its name upon every phase of life. Some one has said, 'life is but a disorganized flight from death,' but the advanced thinker of to-day recognizes life as an organized march against death, with Christ his Lord.

"The church, in this age of progress, has felt the heart of an advance movement beat, to hymns we love to sing: 'Onward, Christian soldier, marching as to war.

"Like a mighty army, moves the church of God."

"The army of Christ that is to be victorious, in one that has been drilled into service. Little, spunky Greece to-day is retreating because her army has not been properly drilled. So many victories may have been won for Christ because men and women were not drilled for the service. But this movement of young people—a mighty army—means victory for the kingdom of God. The young soldier of Christ to-day must be trained to the use of the armor. No man goes to battle without arms. These arms may be the sword of the spirit, the armor of the pitchforks of the revolutionary fathers, but no one will expect to fight without some weapon of war. It is useless for you to hope to tear down the walls with bare hands or kick the gates off the hinges or look the frowning gunners out of countenance. You must meet them with the Krupp guns, Remington rifles and heavy sabers. It is folly indeed for a Christian to go to battle against sin of the world without equipment, since we are to fight for God against Satan; we must look to heaven's arsenal for our armor. You may load your gunnery with all kinds of other stuff, but you had just as well shoot egg shells at the enemy. No soldier is armed unless he is armed of God.

"First, I would have you as soldiers of Christ gird yourselves with truth. If you would take the front of the rank, gird yourself. Truth must lay at the very foundation of our march upon which true, pure character is to be reared. The military girdle was the belt or cincture with which the warrior braced himself around the waist, to tighten and keep every part of his armor in its proper place, so he might be ready at any moment to meet the powerful attack of his enemy. So the Christian warrior must be strengthened at every point with his girdle of truth, ready for the battle. The truth must be known in order for it to form an armor of defense for the subject, and a measure of offensiveness to the opponent. To lay aside our girdle is to incapacitate ourselves for the combat and to expose ourselves to wounds and utter defeat. Conscious integrity inspires the spiritual warrior with confidence and bravery. Let this be my brazen wall, that no man can reproach me with a crime, and that I am conscious of my own integrity. A man may have a respectable reputation, the finest of helmets, and a gilded sword, but if his feet and limbs are all tied up in falsehood and error, you may watch for the return of a whipped soldier.

"The story is told that Waterloo was lost because a boy whom Napoleon questioned gave him the wrong answer. That the defeat of his heroic army, believe that the records of yonder will show a multitude of Christian defeats because of a lack of the girdle of truth. Be sure your girdle is truth, or you must meet a fearful Waterloo.

"Second, I admonish you to be trained in righteousness. That is a broad piece of armor that covers every vital organ of the Christian and of the soldier; the heart, lungs and stomach are all supposed to be covered with the breastplate. When we have commenced with right thinking it is well for us then to follow up with right doing. Righteousness is an impenetrable mail, from which the missiles of the enemy fall pointless. The reply of the boy of his father revealed a sad fact of his life. The boy, when asked if his father was

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Stonemasons Declare That the School of Mines Building Is No Good.

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They Say That the High School is a Palace in Comparison—A Communication to the "Standard"—Expressions of Disgust.

The story about poor work being done on the school of mines building, which was first started about a year ago and resulted in an official investigation by the governor and a practical exoneration of the contractors, is again being circulated and with more vehemence than ever. The matter was brought up recently before a meeting of the Stonemasons' union and formal charges were drawn up and forwarded to Governor Smith. The governor sent the letter to the board of trustees in Butte and wrote a letter to the stonemasons informing them that he was powerless in the matter, the last legislature having taken from the governor what right he might have had to interfere or order an investigation. After receiving the governor's letter the stonemasons took the matter up again at their meeting Friday night and a committee, consisting of David Black, Peter McCulloch, M. J. Kitts, Joseph Maloney and Duncan MacRae, was appointed to draw up a communication to the Standard regarding the matter and yesterday they presented the following, containing charges of a very general nature and rather strong language:

"Mr. Editor—Will you kindly make service in your paper for the following communication, which is of interest to every citizen in the state:

"We, the stone cutters of Butte union, believe it to be the duty of all good citizens to expose frauds upon the people, wherever found, regardless of whom or where it may strike. The school of mines building is one of the rankest frauds in the state so far, being neither safe nor ornamental, the material and workmanship being simply disgraceful, and would not be accepted on the commonest building in the United States.

"We have addressed Governor Smith on the subject. He informed us he was powerless to do anything in the matter. We also informed Mr. Leyson, one of the board, last fall, of certain things that were being done, and so far he has failed to do anything about it.

"We demand an investigation by practical men and have no doubt enough will be learned to cause the walls already built to be torn down to the foundation. We will not allow such work to be done on a state building without a protest. Our committee is ready to meet any delegation and is prepared to prove every assertion made."

The communication is signed by the members of the committee mentioned above. They said in addition to the general and sweeping charges, that in very few particulars did the work come up to the specifications. They talked about a "death trap," "cheap labor and cheap material," etc., and said that Utah sawed stone was being used where granite was called for and that there were inch joints in the cut-stone work.

"Why, the high school building is a model, a palace," compared with the school of mines building," said one of the committeemen. He declared that all that the grand jury said about the high school building applied to the school of mines, only more so.

J. H. Leyson and C. W. Goodale, two members of the board of trustees, are out of the city. John Gillie, secretary of the board, was seen yesterday by a Standard reporter, but he seemed unwilling to talk about the matter. He said they had received the letter forwarded by the governor, but had simply ignored it. He said the board had a supervisor on the building and was satisfied with him and the work being done.

Judge W. W. Dixon, another member of the board was seen by a Standard reporter, and he said he thought the charges of the stonemasons were groundless. In regard to the letter written to the governor and its reference to the board Mr. Dixon said: "There was such a letter written to Governor Smith and by him referred to us, but really I don't know much about the subject matter contained therein. I believe, though, that there were some complaints made by the stonemasons, but what they were I cannot now recall. The letter, I think, is now in possession of John Gillie, secretary of the board of trustees. As I recollect it now, we investigated the matter and came to the conclusion that the complaints were unfounded. I am not inclined to pay very much attention to such letters, anyhow. If anyone has a complaint to make in regard to the affairs of the school of mines, or in relation to the construction of the building, he should make such complaints direct to the board. Letters written either to Governor Smith or anyone else are not liable to receive any particular consideration at the hands of the board. So far as I know all complaints that I have heard of are groundless."

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